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Applicant : Monia et al.

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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated June 9, 2009, for which the Notification Date was reset as June 22, 2009 per PTO paper of the same date, and the Advisory Action dated September 3, 2009, Applicants hereby request continued examination pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, a two-month extension of time, the fee for which is submitted herewith, and entry of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.